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TO SECSTATE WASHDC 7726

C O N F I D E N T I A L ALGIERS 3242

FOR NEA/RA

E. O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PINS, AG
SUBJ: HIJACKING

REFS: A) STATE 290399; B) STATE 278905

1. GOA'S STATED ATTITUDE TOWARD HIJACKING IS ALMOST EXACTLY THAT DESCRIBED ON PAGE 1 OF MR. PALMER'S BACKGROUND MEMO TO AMBASSADOR. GOA OFFICIALS HAVE INDICATED TO AMBASSADOR THAT THEY VIEW UN RESOLUTIONS ON TERRORISM AND HIJACKING AS WESTERN INSPIRED AND ONE-SIDED IN THAT THEY ARE AIMED ONLY AT GROUPS WHICH COULD BE CLASSIFIED "LIBERATION MOVEMENTS" AND NOT AT "STATE TERRORISM." FOR OGA, AS FOR MANY OTHER ARAB REGIMES, FOREGOING REASONING HAS BEEN ARTICLE OF FAITH USED TO JUSTIFY RELUCTANCE TO CONDEMN TERRORIST ACTS BY EXTREMIST PALESTINIAN GROUPS AND OTHERS CLAIMING TO ACT IN NAME OF NATIONAL LIBERATION.

2. NOTWITHSTANDING ABOVE, FALLOUT FROM EXTENSIVE WORLD CRITICISM RESULTING FROM GOA HANDLING OF JRA HIJACKING HAS GIVEN RISE TO EXPECTATIONS OF A CHANGE IN GOA POLICY. IN THIS CONNECTION, IN AMBASSADOR'S DECEMBER 28 COURTESY CALL ON REDHA MALEK, MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND CULTURE, MALEK MADE SPECIAL POINT OF SAYING (A) GOA FEELS "BURNED" AS RESULT OF WIDESPREAD CRITICISM OF GOA "HUMANITARIAN" HANDLING OF JRA HIJACKING LAST OCTOBER AND (B) AS A RESULT, WARNED AMBASSADOR "NOT TO BE SURPRISED IF GOA IN FUTURE DECLINES
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TO GRANT LANDING RIGHTS TO ANY HIJACKED AIRCRAFT."

3. DCM WILL SEEK INFO REQUESTED REF B FIRST WEEK JANUARY AT WHICH TIME WE WILL PROVIDE ANALYSIS REQUESTED REF A.HAYNES

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Message Attributes

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